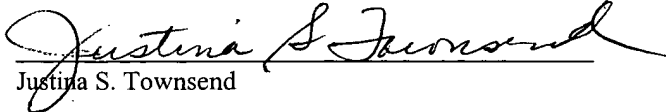


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In re application of	:	Group Art Unit: 3722
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Sir:

This application was Finally Rejected on January 16, 2003.

An amendment and a Declaration by Jay Sato were filed on March 5, 2003.

In a communication from the U.S. Patent Office dated March 20, 2003, consideration of the amendment were refused as requiring further search and consideration.

In accordance with the present RCE, it is now respectfully requested that the Patent Office now give consideration to the amendment and Declaration noted above.

To briefly recap the significant points of difference between the claimed invention and the prior art please note the following:

(1) The Yamamoto pocket is secured on three sides and is difficult to use.

(2) The Brown binder only has a partial pocket, for mounting business cards, and has an area about half or less than the area of the Brown cover.

(3) The claimed full size pocket positions the formatted visual material accurately located within the cover frame.

(4) The claimed full size pocket holds the visual insert firmly against the cover across the entire area within the frame.

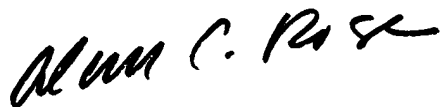
(5) Papers placed in the Brown partial pocket, to the extent they extend beyond the pocket, are subject to crumpling and/or folding, and may flop back from the cover.

To summarize, neither the Brown or the Yamamoto patent, taken individually or in any valid combination, anticipate the claimed invention.

In closing, it is respectfully requested that the revised claims, and the points and authorities set forth in the prior filed amendment and Declaration be considered, and an early Notice of Allowance be issued.

In the event that the application is not considered to be entirely in condition for allowance, applicant's attorney would appreciate an interview with the Examiner to discuss the application. Applicant's attorney would prefer a personal interview with the Examiner, but the time and cost of travel from the Los Angeles location of our offices makes this impractical. Thank you in advance for the courtesy of an interview if this case is not now considered to be allowable.

Respectfully submitted,



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